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Innovative Trends in Nursing Education 21st Century Teaching and Learning

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Adult Learners

- Self-directed
- Self-motivated
- Prefer active learning (Royer and Newton, 2007)

Millennial or 'Net Generation'

- Prefer cooperative learning
- Group work or teamwork
- Use of technology





Transformation of Educator Role

- From Sage on the Stage to
- Knowledge Broker
- Coach
- Mentor
- Certification for Nurse Educators

Collaborative Learning

- Team-learning
- Group Testing
- Game-based learning
- Audience Response Systems (Clickers)





Decentralized Technologies

- Cell phones, iPad, Internet, Electronic Learning Systems (Blackboard, Angel)
- Hyper-connectivity to share ideas & questions

Online Learning Formats

- Digital Media Literacy
- 'Mass Customization'
- Distance Learning
- Hybrid Options





National Survey of Student Engagement (2009)

- Classes that use interactive technologies scored higher on NSSE benchmarks
- Higher academic and personal gains by students
- Student engagement links positively to achievement of learning outcomes and earned grades





Nursing Education Research

 NLN's Position Paper (2007)on the need for Nursing Education Research Funding

Research needs to support the Science of Nursing in areas of:

Pedagogy (teaching reforms)

Graduate competencies

Faculty Development and Preparation

Teaching and Learning Best Practices

Recruitment and Retention Strategies

Innovative clinical teaching models





Clinical Education Reform

- NLN Outcomes & Competencies for Graduates of Nursing Programs (2010)
 - Preparation of graduates across the academic spectrum to function in a dynamic healthcare environment
- Simulation as a learning and assessment process
 - Pre-graduation
 - Staff Development
- Gesture-based Learning (Wii format) in 4-5 years





Political Advocacy Education for Nurses

- Nurses need to find and use their voices to lead healthcare reform initiatives
 - Learn about the political process (local, state, and federal)
 - Advocate for access to healthcare for all
 - Advocate for reduced healthcare costs through full application of Advanced Practice Nurses' education & role





Inter – Professional Education

"Academic institutions and healthcare organizations need to make a real commitment to inter-professional education that develops and sustains collaborative skills both before and after licensure." (IOM, 2009, p. 37)

- Prepares learners for collaborative opportunities
- Prepares learners for future roles as patient advocates
- Promotes communication, improves teamwork & promotes patient safety





Innovation in Nursing Education

- Requires strong leadership to encourage a journey of discovery even when the outcomes may be unknown
- The key is to recognize the simple value of discovery

